CIRCUIT COURT **BRANCH 9**

IN RE: PETITIONS TO RECALL GOVERNOR SCOTT WALKER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR REBECCA KLEEFISCH, SENATOR SCOTT FITZGERALD, SENATOR PAM GALLOWAY, SENATOR TERRY MOULTON, SENATOR VAN WANGGAARD,

Case No. 12CV0295

GOVERNOR SCOTT WALKER. LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR REBECCA KLEEFISCH, SENATOR SCOTT FITZGERALD, SENATOR PAM GALLOWAY, SENATOR TERRY MOULTON, SENATOR VAN WANGGAARD,

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(Unclassified)

COMMITTEE TO RECALL WALKER, COMMITTEE TO RECALL KLEEFISCH, COMMITTEE TO RECALL SCOTT FITZGERALD RECALL SENATOR PAM GALLOWAY. COMMITTEE TO RECALL MOULTON, COMMITTEE TO RECALL WANGGAARD,

and

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD.

Interested Parties.

STIPULATION OF ALL PARTIES FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD TO CERTIFY SUFFICIENCY OR INSUFFICIENCY OF RECALL PETITIONS

It is hereby stipulated and agreed, by and between all parties listed above, by their respective attorneys, that good cause exists for this Court to enter an order granting G.A.B. relief from the deadlines to file certifications of sufficiency or insufficiency regarding the petitions to recall Governor Scott Walker, Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Kleefisch, Senator Scott Fitzgerald, Senator Pam Galloway, Senator Terry Moulton, and Senator Van Wanggaard for good cause shown under Wis. Stat. § 9.10(3)(b). Specifically, all parties stipulate and agree that, good cause exists for extending G.A.B.'s deadline for filing certifications of sufficiency or insufficiency from March 19, 2012, until March 30, 2012.

The grounds for this stipulation are as follows.

- (1) On January 17, 2012, recall petitions were offered for filing with G.A.B. respecting Governor Scott Walker, Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Kleefisch, Senator Scott Fitzgerald (13th Dist.), Senator Pam Galloway (29th Dist.), Senator Terry Moulton (23rd Dist.), and Senator Van Wanggaard (21st Dist.)
- (2) This court has authority under Wis. Stat. § 9.10(3)(b) to enlarge G.A.B.'s time for certifying the sufficiency or insufficiency of the recall petitions "upon showing of good cause."
- (3) On January 30, 2012, this Court entered an Order extending the deadlines for the Officeholders to file their challenges to the recall petitions offered against them and extending G.A.B.'s deadline for filing certifications of sufficiency or insufficiency regarding the petitions. Specifically, this Court extended G.A.B.'s deadline for filing certifications of sufficiency or insufficiency of the recall petitions to March 19, 2012. On February 22, 2012, this Court entered an Order denying

Governor Scott Walker's second request for an extension of time to file challenges to recall petitions.

- (4) G.A.B. believes, based on its staff's report given on March 12, 2012 during an open meeting, that it will be unable to complete its statutory duties and certify the sufficiency or insufficiency of the recall petitions by March 19, 2012.
- (5) G.A.B. staff reported at the open meeting on March 12, 2012, that G.A.B. staff has completed its review of the four senate recall petitions.
- (6) G.A.B. staff reported at the open meeting on March 12, 2012, that staff has completed all components of the review of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor recall petitions *except* for the check for duplicate signatures.
- (7) G.A.B. staff reported at the open meeting on March 12, 2012, that G.A.B. staff expects it will have completed a sufficient portion of its duplicate checks for the Governor and Lieutenant Governor recall petitions for the G.A.B. to be able to certify the sufficiency or the insufficiency of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor petitions by March 30, 2012.
- (8) If a recall petition is certified as sufficient, G.A.B. must call a recall election to be held on the Tuesday of the 6th week commencing after the date of the filing of the petition. Wis. Const. art. XIII, §12(2).
- (9) There is a public interest in ensuring that recall elections, if any, arising from the petitions offered for filing on January 17, be held on the same day, but not on any of the days already scheduled for statewide elections in 2012.

- (9) If a recall election or elections were ordered March 19, 2012, which is the G.A.B.'s current certification deadline, or any day that week, the recall election would be held on the Tuesday of the 6th week following certification. Wis. Stats. §9.10 (3)(b). That date is May 1, 2012. If a recall primary is required, May 1, 2012 would be the date of the primary and the election would be held four weeks later. That date is Tuesday, May 29, 2012, the day following Memorial Day. Wis. Stats. §9.10(3)(f).
- (10) If a recall election is scheduled for Tuesday, May 29, 2012, immediately following a legal holiday, municipal clerks will face significant difficulties, if not impossibilities, completing their duties in preparation for the election, many of which duties and preparations must be performed on the weekend and the Monday immediately preceding a Tuesday election.
- (11) If a recall election or elections were ordered any day the week of March 26, 2012, including March 30, 2012, the recall election would be held on May 8, 2012. The G.A.B. has tentatively set a meeting date of March 30, 2012 to address a final determination of sufficiency. If a recall primary is required, May 8, 2012, would be the date of the primary and the election would be held four weeks later, on June 5, 2012. These election dates avoid the significant conflict with the Memorial Day holiday.

Therefore, the parties stipulate and agree that, for good cause shown, this Court may enter an order granting G.A.B. an extension of time until March 30, 2012, to certify the sufficiency or insufficiency of the petitions to recall Governor

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